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SUBJ: WEEK OF FATAL ACCIDENTS IN ABU DHABI

1. IN AN ACCIDENT-PRONE PERIOD FOR EXPATRIATES IN ABU DHABI, NUMBER OF

FATALITIES OCCURRED IN UNCONNECTED ACCIDENTS LAST WEEK. MOST PROMINENT

CASUALTY WAS BRIG. RONALD POCD, BRITISH SECONDED OFFICER WHO WAS
COMMANDER OF ABU DHABI DEFENCE FORCE GROUND FORCES, KILLED IN HELI-
COPTER CRASH TOGETHER WITH SUDANESE PILOT. DAY LATER, BRISTOW HELI-
COPTER ON RUN TO ONE OF OFF-SHORE RIGS UNACCOUNTABLY WENT INTO DRINK
KILLING PILOT AND ITS FOUR PASSENGERS. ON APRIL 11 ABU DHABI
EXPERIENCED

ITS WORST FIRE IN SOME YEARS WHEN SECOND-CLASS HOTEL OMAN KHAYYAM
CAUGHT FIRE FROM EXPLODING BUTANE TANK, CAUSING FIVE DEATHS (ALL
EXPATRIATE ARAB) AND SCORE OF INJURED. THERE WAS ALSO IN SAME
PERIOD DROWNING OF BRITISH WOMAN IN BOATING
ACCIDENT, AND DEATH IN AUTOMOBILE CRASH
OF HEAD NURSE OF AL-AIN GOVERNMENT HOSPITAL,
ALSO A BRITISH WOMAN.

2. VISITORS SHOULD STAY AWAY FROM ABU DHABI UNTIL THE SPELL, WHATEVER
IT IS, LIFTS.

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